# **OPINION 2364** (Case 3610)

# Phelister Marseul, 1853 (Insecta, Coleoptera, HISTERIDAE): usage conserved

**Abstract.** The Commission has conserved the current usage of the generic name *Phelister* Marseul, 1853 for a well-established genus of histerid beetle by setting aside all previous type fixations for *Phelister* Marseul, 1853 preceding that of *Phelister haemorrhous* Marseul, 1853 by Kryzhanovskij & Reichardt (1976).

**Keywords.** Nomenclature; taxonomy; Insecta; Coleoptera; HISTERIDAE; *Phelister*; *Baconia*; *Phelister haemorrhous*; *Paromalus rouzeti*; *Platysoma venustum*; clown beetles; Neotropical region.

#### Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power the Commission has set aside all type species fixations for the nominal genus-group taxon *Phelister* Marseul, 1853 (gender: masculine) preceding that of *Phelister haemorrhous* Marseul, 1853 by Kryzhanovskij & Reichardt (1976).
- (2) The name *Phelister* Marseul, 1853, type species *Phelister haemorrhous* Marseul, 1853 by subsequent designation by Kryzhanovskij & Reichardt (1976), as ruled in (1) above is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *haemorrhous* Marseul, 1853, as published in the binomen *Phelister haemorrhous* (specific name of the type species of *Phelister* Marseul, 1853, as ruled in (1) above), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

### History of Case 3610

An application to conserve the current usage of the generic name *Phelister* Marseul, 1853 for a well-established genus of histerid beetles was received from Michael S. Caterino & Alexey K. Tishechkin *Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Santa Barbara, U.S.A.* on 05 October 2012. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 70: 12–14 (March 2013). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments were received on this Case. The Case was sent for vote on 1 December 2014 (VP 27). A greater than two-thirds majority of Commissioners voted FOR the Case (17 For, none Against).

#### **Decision of the Commission**

At the close of the voting period on 1 March 2015 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 17: Alonso-Zarazaga, Ballerio, Bouchet, Brothers, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Kojima, Krell, Pape, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol, Yanega, Zhang and Zhou.

Negative votes – none.

Bogutskaya, Fautin, Kottelat, Kullander, Lamas, Ng, Pyle and Winston were on leave of absence.

#### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Phelister Marseul, 1853, Annales de la Société Entomologique de France, (3)1: 462 haemorrhous, Phelister, Marseul, 1853, Annales de la Société Entomologique de France, (3)1: 476.

# Reference to the type species designation in this ruling:

Kryzhanovkij, O.L. & Reichardt, A.N. 1976. Beetles of the superfamily Histeroidea (families Sphaeritidae, Histeridae, Synteliidae). Fauna of the USSR, vol. 4, p. 296.